

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Vickers' amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The amendment is adopted. Do you have anything else on it?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Lamb would move to indefinitely postpone the bill. That would lay it over unless the introducer agrees to take it up at this time.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay. Senator Pappas, do you want to move on it?

SENATOR PAPPAS: (Response inaudible.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: All right. Senator Lamb.

SENATOR LAMB: Mr. President, members, this motion to indefinitely postpone has been filed for considerable time. I'd just like to explain my reasoning behind it. As you will note from the bill, and I'm sure a lot of people have not really taken this bill too seriously and have not, perhaps, had a chance to look at the bill. But basically, and we've not had an explanation of the bill at this time. Basically what the bill says is that these towns of less than 5,000 population, if you live in that town and you hire somebody to put a plug in, an electrical plug in in your house it has to be a licensed electrician. Now that has been the exception for all these years, for a number of years, that towns under 5,000 have had this exemption from this requirement. So I'd like to continue that. See I have a number of towns in my area which are less than a population of 5,000. And I don't have any complaints about any problems in those towns as far as safety is concerned. I have checked with the League of Municipalities, and you will note on your committee statement that the League opposed this bill. I checked with the League and they do not have a record of any problems that have happened, anything that has happened in those towns of less than 5,000 under the provisions of the present statute. So in these times of difficulty, not only out in agricultural areas or out on the farm, but also in the smaller towns, I just don't think we should, at this time, put more restrictions on them that are not required. We are doing...trying to do something here that is not required, it is not necessary.